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SUBJECT: FRANCE-CANADA-HAWAII TELESCOPE

REF: STATE 237210; OTTAWA 0219 AND OTTAWA 2026

1. BECAUSE OF VIEWS PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED IN OTTAWA REFTELS, EMBASSY PLEASSED TO LEARN THAT HAWAIIAN CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION SUBMITTING SPECIFIC LEGISLATION ON MATTER OF CUSTOMS IMMUNITIES.

2. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT DEPARTMENT SUPPORT PROPOSED LEGISLATION. FOR DEPARTMENT'S USE AS CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATION BASED ON FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS:

A) "BIG SCIENCE," E.G. THIS PROJECT, WHICH IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY MORE EXPENSIVE CAN OFTEN BEST BE CARRIED OUT UNDER APPROPRIATE BILATERAL OR MULTILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS WHICH PROVIDE FOR EQUITABLE SHARING OF CAPITAL AND OPERATING COSTS.

B) U.S. HAS EXPRESSED ITSELF PUBLICLY IN SEVERAL FORA AS FAVORING SUCH COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

C) CANADIAN, AND AS WE UNDERSTAND IT FRENCH,
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AUTHORITIES, ARE ALREADY EMPOWERED TO GRANT RECIP-

ROCAL IMMUNITIES AND EXPECTED THEM FROM U.S. AS AN
ESSENTIAL PRECONDITION OF ENTERING INTO AGREEMENT.

D) FAILURE OF U.S. TO GRANT APPROPRIATE IMMUNITIES
WOULD BE QUESTION BY CANADIAN SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY EVEN IF
NOT BY GOC/NRC WHICH HAS GONE OUT ON SOMETHING OF A LIMB
TO CONCINCE GOF THAT CAUTIOUS LANGUAGE USED BY USG SO FAR
NEED NOT CAUSE CONCERN.
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